

City of Miami

Legislation

Resolution: R-10-0331

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A RESOLUTION OF THE MIAMI CITY COMMISSION, WITH ATTACHMENT(S), APPROVING IN PRINCIPLE, THE VIRGINIA KEY MASTER PLAN, HEREIN REFERRED TO AS THE "VIRGINIA KEY MASTER PLAN", AS THE GUIDING TOOL, FOR THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF VIRGINIA KEY; CREATING A VIABLE WATERFRONT WITH RECREATIONAL AND PUBLIC SPACES; AND PROTECTING AND ENHANCING THE NATURAL RESOURCES LOCATED ON THE ISLAND.

WHEREAS, the City of Miami ("City") recognizes the key role of parks in providing educational, cultural, recreational, and other well-being programs to our citizens and visitors and in enhancing the quality of life of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 05-0606, adopted January 13, 2005, the City Commission authorized the City Manager to execute a negotiated Professional Services Agreement with the firm of Edward D. Stone, Jr. and Associates, Inc. d/b/a EDSA to provide a Master Plan for Virginia Key, pursuant to the Request for Qualifications No. 03-04-028 (the "RFQ"); and

WHEREAS, the Miami Waterfront Advisory Board, at its meeting on October 5, 2009, adopted a motion by a unanimous vote, to approve the Virginia Key Master Plan as presented with additions and inclusions; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission, at its meeting on October 8, 2009, adopted a motion to defer the presentation and approval of the final master plan to the first City Commission meeting in May 2010 and to (1) immediately allow a mountain bike facility on the North Point, (2) immediately move forward with the remediation of the landfill and utilize the \$45 million in Miami-Dade County funds for same, and (3) to ensure the Virginia Key Beach Park Trust has the flexibility to construct, operate, or maintain the proposed Civil Rights Museum complex and any other facilities as the Trust may deem necessary, in order for the Museum to survive; and

WHEREAS, The Virginia Key Master Plan, as originally prepared by EDSA, revised through additional public participation resulting in a consensus master plan, and attached hereto, is hereby approved as a guiding tool for the future development of Virginia Key, creating a viable waterfront with recreational and public spaces, and for the protection and enhancement of natural resources located on the island; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission, at its meeting on February 12, 2010, adopted a motion to postpone the presentation and approval of the final Virginia Key Master Plan to the second meeting in July 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Miami Waterfront Advisory Board, at its meeting on July 13, 2010, adopted Motion No. 2010-01 by a vote of five to one (5-1) recommending APPROVAL of the Virginia Key Master Plan; and

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WHEREAS, the Virginia Key Master Plan was presented to the Miami Parks Advisory Board, at its meeting on July 15, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Miami Planning, Zoning and Appeals Board, at its meeting on July 21, 2010 adopted Motion No. 10-001 by a vote of eight to one (8-1) recommending APPROVAL with conditions: 1) No lighting in the playing field area; and 2) Public ramp to be provided with a minimum of thirty (30) trailer parking spaces of the Virginia Key Master Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI, FLORIDA:

Section 1. The recitals and findings contained in the Preamble to this Resolution are hereby adopted by reference thereto and incorporated herein as if fully set forth in this Section.

Section 2. The Virginia Key Master Plan, as originally prepared by EDSA, revised through additional public participation resulting in a consensus master plan, and attached hereto, is hereby approved as a guiding tool for the future development of Virginia Key, creating a viable waterfront with recreational and public spaces, and for the protection and enhancement of natural resources located on the island.

Section 3. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption and signature of the Mayor. {1}

Footnotes:

{1} Words and/or figures stricken through shall be deleted. Underscored words and/or figures shall be added. The remaining provisions are now in effect and remain unchanged. Asterisks indicate omitted and unchanged material.